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FROM:	Louis L. Wu, Reg. No. 44,413	FACSIMILE No.: (650) 330-0980 TELEPHONE No.: (650) 330-0900
DATE:	December 16, 2003	PAGE 1 OF: 5
SUBJECT:	In re Application of: Ellson et al. Serial No.: 10/087,372 Confirmation No.: 4669 Filed: March 1, 2002 Title: "METHOD AND SYSTEM USING ACOUSTIC EJECTION FOR PREPARING AND ANALYZING A CELLULAR SAMPLE SURFACE" Attorney Docket No.: 7610-0042.21	CONFIRMATION COPY TO FOLLOW: <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO

Submitted herewith is a Supplemental Reply to the Office Action of June 3, 2003, and a Terminal Disclaimer.

If there are any questions concerning this reply, please call me at (650) 330-4912.

Sincerely,



Louis L. Wu

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	Filing Date	March 1, 2002
	First Named Inventor	Richard N. ELLSON
	Art Unit	2881
	Examiner Name	Jack I. BERMAN
	Attorney Docket Number	7610-0042.21

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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** \$55.00**Complete if Known**

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Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
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1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee	
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee	
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					\$0

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
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4	- 4** = 0	0 x 0 =	\$0
Multiple Dependent		0 x 0 =	\$0

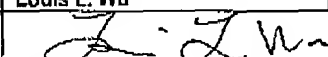
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1203	200	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
SUBTOTAL (2)					\$0

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	2053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	2812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	2804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	2805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	2451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavaldable	
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1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1480	130	2480	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	2807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(g)	
1806	180	2806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	28021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	750	2809	375	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	2802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
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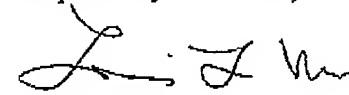
In response to a telephonic communication on December 16, 2003, from Dorothy Bell at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, submitted herewith is a signed Terminal Disclaimer, disclaiming the term of any patent issuing from this application that extends beyond the term of any patent issuing from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/066,546, in order to expedite prosecution.

Accordingly, the application should now be in condition for allowance, and a prompt indication to that effect would be appreciated.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this communication, he is welcome to contact the undersigned attorney at (650) 330-0900.

Respectfully submitted,

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